

## AMARILLO POLICE DEPARTMENT



August 22, 2019

MuckRock News Attn: Samuel Sinyangwe DEPT MR 77200 411A Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02144-2516

RE: Public Information Request#2019-1699

## Via Certified Mail#:9171999991703404952707

Dear Mr. Sinyangwe,

We are in receipt of your request, received on July 12, 2019. You requested: the following:

- 1. The total number of police use of force incidents, broken down by type of force used, between 2013-2018 (separated by year).
- 2. The total number of people that police used force against, between 2013-2018 (separated by year)
- 3. A copy of all complaints reported by civilians against police between 2013-2018.
- 4. A copy of any documents indicating whether the civilian complaints identified in request #3 were sustained.
- 5. The policy manual of the police department. CLARIFICATION: Policies regarding use of force.
- 6 the current union contract between the city and any police unions or police associations.
- 7. All records regarding police shootings (including fatal police shootings, non-fatal police shootings and police shootings at the civilan that missed) between 2013-2018, including incident-level information specifying the date of each incident, race and gender of all subjects involved, what weapon is any they were armed with, any injuries or deaths resulting from the incident, the names of all officers involved, whether administrative investigations found the incidents to be justified under police department policy and any disciplinary actions taken against the officers as a result of the incident.
- 8. All records regarding civilian deaths or serious injuries resulting from police use of force between 2013-2018, including incident-level information specifying the date of each incident, race and gender of all subjects involved, what weapon if any they were armed with, any injuries or deaths resulting from the incident and the names of all officers involved.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

We have determined that complying with your request for public information will result in the imposition of a charge that exceeds \$40. Therefore, the following statement is provided pursuant to Texas Government Code (TGC), Chapter 552, § 552.2615.

Itemized statement of estimated charges:

Copies for request #1, Approx. 3100 Pages @ \$0.10/page Overhead, \$(Total Labor Charge - \$\_\_\_\_) x 0.20

ESTIMATED TOTAL: <u>\$ 310.00</u>

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Furthermore, this request may encompass information that is privileged and/or confidential. If the requestor wishes to proceed under this Estimate of Charges, the City will first request an opinion from the Texas Attorney General as to whether the information can be released.

A less expensive way of obtaining this information would be for you to come and inspect the records at our office. If you choose to take this option, please contact me in writing and contact me at the phone number provided and provide me with three dates and times when it will be convenient for you to come in and inspect the records. There may be a charge associated with the inspection of the documents as allocated by Section 552.271 and 552.272 in the Public Information Act. These charges will be calculated and provided to you before the date of inspecting the documents.

Your request will be considered automatically withdrawn if you do not notify us in writing within 10 (ten) business days from the date of this statement that you:

- a. Accept the charges and agree to pay;
- b. Modify your request. (If you choose to inspect the records, it is considered a modification, not a new request.); or
- c. Have sent to the Office of the Attorney General, Open Records Division, a complaint alleging that you are being overcharged for being provided with a copy of the public information.

If your request is also in excess of \$100. We request a deposit of \$310.00.

Pursuant to 552.263(f) of the Texas Government Code "A requestor who fails to make a deposit or post a bond required... before the 10<sup>th</sup> business day after the date the deposit or bond is required is considered to have withdrawn the request for the copy of the public information that precipitated the requirement of the deposit or bond." This section was enacted to address mounting expenses for governmental bodies related to the processing of public information.

If you accept the charges, and a deposit has been requested, your deposit must be received before any copies will be made. If you pay a deposit and the actual final amount is less that the amount paid, you will be issued a refund by separate cover. If the actual amount is more than what you paid but within 20% of that amount, payment must be made in full before you can receive the copies. An updated statement will be sent to you if the final amount will exceed 20% of the first agreed estimated amount.



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Your check or money order must be made payable to: City of Amarillo, and mailed to: 200 SE 3<sup>rd</sup>, Amarillo, TX 79101, Attention Derenda Rush or Records Division. You may also pay in cash at our office. Our office is located in the Records Division on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Amarillo Police Department

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, Please feel free to contact me at: (806) 378-4260 or email me at: Derenda.Rush@Amarillo.gov. Sincerely,

Derenda Rush Records Division

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Amarillo Police Department

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